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Community Center Conference to Take Up Varied Problems

Make wide the doorway of the school, Around whose sill the millions wait The cradle of the common rule,

The forum of a stronger state.

-WENDALL PHILLIPS STAFFORD.

By JESSIE MacBRIDE. Of importance to Washington as a community, of importance to the nation at large, is the forthcoming "National Conference on the Community Center," which will have its meeting in the National Capital on April 21, 22, 23.

The school house as the logical public forum of a community is to be one of the many subjects discussed in this important nation-wide conference. The above quotation is from a poem by Justice Stafford that has been set to music by Arnold Dresden and that will be a "battle-cry"

Commissioner Philander P. Claxton, cation of the United States, has sent out invitations announcing this conference. His letter says, in part:

there seems to be special and urgent need at this time for a nation-wide conference on this subject. I am, therefore, with co-operation of the mmunity organization board, call- PIRST CONFERENCE IN WISCONing a conference on the community Definite plans of procedure will be

formulated, Commissioner Claxton SUBJECTS FOR CONVERENCE. This nation-wide conference dis-

cusses problems music, and community drama. Its uses relate to matters civic, foundations of democracy." economic; to wholesale recreation, self-government, organization of pubword community, is given in an inter- borhoods of the District. esting synopsis by E. J. Ward, spe- The second purpose, postal service,

commissioner of the Bureau of Edu-cialist in community organization who is connected with the United States Bureau of Public Education. The interest in community organi-tion has become so general, its value tion with the schoolhouse, the quesas a means of bringing together the tion arises: How the ever-ready people for acquaintance, entertain-ment, mutual instruction and co-both for voting, and for that organoperation recognized, and the desire ized pre-election assembly of citizens for consistent practical plans for its who meet to be informed on public successful promotion so great that questions, so that the huge cost of private contributions for these election needs may be eliminated. During the past election \$10,000,000 was contributed for this purpose.

> SIN. It is ten years since the first conference of this kind was held, in the Pittsburgh public schools, and a Madison, Wis. And Wisconsin was ploneer worker in community music, the first State to make a law providing for community centers. At a meeting held in Rochester, it connected with was Charles E. Hughes, now Secre- who has followed the advancement

In 1917 the first Congressional appropriation was made for communlic health service in youth to cultural ity centers in the District of Columopportunities. Just how these widely bia, and now they are proving their York. divergent topics correlate into the one merit in seventeen different neigh-

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Speaking of the first purpose to be will be presided over by Postmaster General Hays. In linking the public schools with the postal service, it not only aims to furnish necessary neighborhood facilities, but also to provide training among the youths to equip them as integral parts of the national life. For the postal service is a national service.

WILL EARHART FOR MUSIC. Will Earhart, director of music of the Pittsburgh public schools, and a will speak on this subject. Mr. Earcitizenship, postal service, community tary of State, who strongly indorsed of this civic and cultural movement. the public forum as "buttressing the lie first came into prominence as director of music in Richmond, Ind. He was also a picturesque figure several summers ago in the out-ofdoor music in Central Park, New

COMMISSIONER PHILAN-

DER P. CLAXTON, U. S. Bureau of Education.

Mr. Earhart is an enthusiastic adwecate of the school orchestra. He out in a convention of the National Music Teachers' Association that the olden custom of confining music to singing was one-

Margaret Woodrow Wilson, who is organization board, will preside at some of the sessions on Friday. This oard, of which Justice Frederick L. iddons is president, is working in ation on this conference.

school Houses as a Center for Draatic Expression." There will be a number of novelty eatures pertaining to the discusions. One of them will be presided ver by Mrs. A. J. Driscoll, who pro- his office, 1306 G street. ides a children's lunch at the Thomon School Community Center for 15 ents. The day sessions will be held the Thomson School, and the deletates will be given the same lunch erved to the children, after the chilren have had their noontime repast. t is an experiment in economics and n physical culture," if one might erm it so. For the cultivation of the rowing body is as much a need of ducation as the lessons that will be

MODEL OF A "MODEL" SCHOOL.

dapted to community ses, will be xhibited as one of the features. The conference is teeming with in-

Taking the Art Gallery to the peoole, is one of the community educahicago and that will be presented. The Community Center Conference ms to do the greatest good to the reatest number. For children and rown-ups alike, the school of the uture will exist. The "plans of proedure" that will be formulated at this conference are of vital interest

to all of us.

The problems are in the hands of the foremost community organization workers of the country. Prominent statesmen will also meet the occaers. Congressman M. Clyde Kelly, of Pennsylvania, in his new book "The Community Capitol" has outlined a practical program for American unity in purpose. He has done more than any single individual to give to citizens some expression of democ-

The topic is a national one. It beongs to each and eyeryone of us. It is for the service of Americans ist of the Royal Theater, Hanover

CONCERTS

RACHMANINOFF, TODAY. Sergei Rachmaninoff, the Russian omposer and planist, whose person ality and art have made him the most commanding figure in the musical world today, will be heard in a plano recital at the National Theater today at 4:30, under the management of

Mrs. Wilson-Greene.
Rachmaninoff has come to America
in the prime of his years, in the
full maturity of his powers, and at
the height of his reputation. Hardly another Russian musician is so manysided or enjoys such international fame. A master of the keyboard, he has shown no less signal ability as an interpretative artist, playing with rare insight and imagination, eloquence and poetry.

Tickets are now on sale at Mrs Greene's Concert Bureau in Droop's, Thirteenth and G streets.

KOCHANSKI, VIOLINIST, FRIDAY. Paul Kochanski, the famous Polish violinist who recently created a sensation at his recital in Aeolian Hall, New York, and who will close the Ten Star Series of concerts, presented by T. Arthur Smith, with a recital tomorrow afternoon, at 4:30. at the National Theater, has chosen a program that includes many numbers of great interest to the violin student as well as the music lover. The concerto will be the A minor. Vivaldi-Nachez. Mr. Kochanski will also play three arrangements by Fritz Kreisler: the "Melodie" by Gluck "Siciliano et Rigaudon" by Franceur, and "Praeludium et Allegro" by Pugnani; Saint-Saens' "Rondo Capriccioso;" a Chopin-Sarasate "Nocturne; group consisting of Kreisler's "Ca-

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youth, is lovely, gracious and win-

ning, and has a very high coloratura

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Jordan Piano Company and at the of-

fice of the First Congregational Church, Tenth and G streets north-

been supplied in the past with enter-

tainment of the vaudeville variety

Miss Root and her party left Wash-

composed of Gertrude Tyrrell, pianist,

voice of beautiful quality and smooth

and other intimate music.

TARSOVA, SINGER-ACTRESS. A return appearance of Nini Tarasova, the brilliant Russian singeractress, who is remembered with pleasure by all who heard her recently as the artist in one of the concerts of the T. Arthur Smith Ten Star Series, is announced for Tuesday afternoon at 4:30 o'clock at the National Theater. On her last appearance here, Mme. Tarasova astonished her audience with the vim and dramatic energy of her folk songs and the re cital was marked by the most enthusiastic applause. A delightful pro-

Miss Mildred Dilling, said to be by far the best harpist in the United States, will be the assisting artist MARGARET WILSON TO PRESIDE. T. Arthur Smith. 1306 G street.

Music lovers of Washington will again have the opportunity of hearng George Dixon Thompson, a local pianist, whose reputation as an art ist of the first rank is not limited o-operation with the Bureau of Edu- to the District of Columbia. He will appear in recial in the New Willard Lillian Russell Moore is to be the ball room Tuesday evening at 8:30 peaker on the drama, her topic being o'clock. Mr. Thompson's several appearances here have created for him a following seldom given a local artist. The concert will be given under the local management of T. Arthur Smith and tickets may be obtained at

NATIONAL STRING QUARTET.

The personnel String Quartet, that gives a concert next Monday at 4:30 at the Knickerbocker Theater, brings together four musicians who have a musical heritage as well as marked capacity for the fineness of the work they have undertaken to do. For of all concerted music the string quartet is the most exacting. Washington is justly proud of this Chamber Music organithe Panama Canal is tired of "jazz."

At least that is the inference, since the Panama Canal government has

Henri Sokolov, first violin and orcorrespondent of Musical Courier and ganizer of the quartet, was born in manager of concerts, to bring a party Russia, as was Samuel Feldman, the of young artists to the Canal Zone viola of the quartet. Mr. Sokolov was who will supply the demand for betta first taught by his father and later he won the Peabody scholarship, receivmusic and better drama. They have ing while there a fine old violip as a prize. After a concert tour with and this request for good music means Mabel Garrison he studied under a stride forward that has the addi-

Cesar Thomson at the Royal Conservational merit of receiving government tory, Brussels, Belgium. support Mr. Feldman came to America in 1912. He had studied at the Royal Conservatory of Odessa and toured in ington yesterday for New York, and will sail on the S. S. Colon for Cristo-Russia besides playing first viola in bal, Canal Zone, Friday. She takes the Kiev Royal Opera and in quartets with her an "All-American Sextet."

Max Pugatsky, second violin, is a he gave concerts in New York, where he studied with the Hungarian violinist, Leo Schermann, an associate o the great Hubay. Here Mr. Pugatsky conducted neighborhood orchestras and was soloist with several organizations. He later studied with Sam Franko. He has composed and ar-ranged music for quartet, trio, and

string orchestra. Richard Lorleberg, cellist of the quartet, was born in Hanover, Germany, and he also first studied with his father who was a celebrated cell-Later he was a student in Leipzig,

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NATIONAL STRING QUARTET, Washington's ex-Henri Sokolov, Max Pugatsky, Samuel Feldman, and Richard Lorleberg. They will give a concert of chamber music at the Knickerbocker Theater.



and played in the Gewandhaus Orsoprano, daughter of Congressman chestra, under Arthur Nikisch.

Their program for next Monday promise; Adele Strohmeyer, mezzoafternoon is the Beethoven Quartet soprano, who has had recital experi- Vieuxtemps "Fantasie Caprice." and a "Spanish Dance" by Sarasate. in A major, opus 18, No. 5; "Ro- ence in New York and the Middle allegro moderato from the Viotti The program will conclude with a manze" from quartet opus 27 in G West; Lydia Bush-Brown, the well- concerto, No. 22. A minor, including manze" from quartet opus 27 in G West: Lydia Bush-Brown, the well-concerto, No. 22, A minor, including minor, of Grieg; and the modern known artist of this city and New the cadenza by David, and a group group consisting of Kreisler's "Ca-minor, of Grieg; and the modern known artist of this car and the scadenza by David, and a group price Viennois" and Wieniawski's "Le quartet, No. 2, in D major, of Boro-York, who will give an exposition of of solos by Ries, Fiorillo, and de Beriot. Isaac Minovich will play one to be the most perfect modern decorative textiles, which are now on movement of the Accolay concerto. A ly Russian with pure Russian melodies, and the finale brings in a

> DOBNANYI, HUNGARIAN PIANIST. The tour is given under the auspices Erno Dohnanyi, the Hungarian composer-pianist, who made such an of the Bureau of, Clubs and Plav-impression when he was heard here grounds, Isthmus of Panama. Marrecently as soloist with the Boston garet Barnett, a student of the Felix Mahony Art School, has made some Symphony Orchestra, will be welcomed at his first appearance in a attractive, original posters that will be used on the tour and exhibited in piano recital, with Eleanor Brook, the two large government hotels, the coloratura soprano, as assisting artist Washington and the Tivoli. on Wednesday evening, April 6, at the

> > TRIAL BY JURY.

piano enthusiasts of an earlier age. "Trial by Jury," on operetta by Gil-Twenty-two years ago he was ranked as a "boy prodigy" and won a signal bert and Sullivan, will be presented under the direction of Harry I, Clarkson by members of Electa Chapter No. 2, O. E. S., Friday and Saturday success on his first American tour. He has since won added glories in the major European capitals, both in evenings, April 1 and 2, 8:15 o'clock the departments of virtuosity as a at the Masonic Temple, Anacostia. pianist, composition, orchestration Mrs. Corinne Frazier, soprano, will and conducting. Much of his work sing the part of the deserted bride; has already been published, including Arthur L. Simpson, tenor, the pre-

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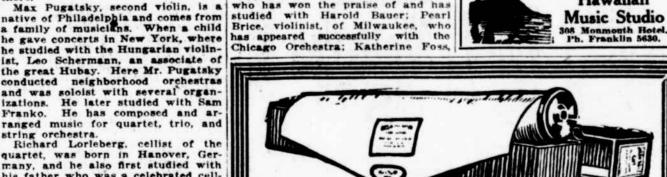
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E. DENISON TAYLOR OF ENG-LAND.

E. Denison Taylor, the head of the big bell foundry of Loughborough England, is in Washington for a few days, staying at the Willard. Mr. Taylor has been consulted about the carillon that is being's planned for put in the great bells of St. Paul's Cathedral, London, of the Queenstown Cathedral, Nottingham, and many of the famous bells of Holland.

TWO BOY VIOLINISTS.

Josef Kaspar presents two youthful violinists in recital this evening at The Auditorium, Thirteenth and New York avenue. They are Milton Schwartz and Isaac Minovich, both of unusual gifts for this difficult solo instrument. Milton Schwartz will play the

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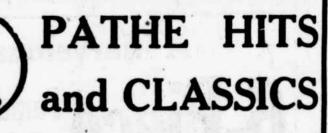
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